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TO : Chief, CP Division
ATTENTION: ☐ Room 2609, J Building

DATE: 26 OCT 1954

FROM : Chief, Special Security Division

SUBJECT: LAUNAGS, Alfreds
#46004

1. Reference is made to your memorandum dated 17 September 1954 requesting special coverage concerning an operational meeting between the Subject and his case officer.
2. Attached find a detailed report of certain observations reported relative to the above meeting. This confirms the verbal report made to ☐ of your office on 27 September 1954.
3. The photograph provided by your office is returned for your files.

FOR THE DIRECTOR OF SECURITY:

Attachments:
Photo (8" x 10") of Subject.
Report dtd 20 October 1954.

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GENERAL:

At Washington, D.C.

Confidential Informant R-1 advised that at 1:05 p.m. on 1 October 1954, JOHN E.A. walked west on the south side of Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, from 18th Street to 19th Street. He then crossed to the north side of Pennsylvania Avenue and walked west to 18th Street, NW. According to R-1, A then walked north on the west side of 18th Street, NW, to H Street, NW, where he met the SUBJECT.

At 1:15 p.m. R-1 advised that SUBJECT and A entered the park located on the north side of Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, between 18th Street and 19th Street, opposite the entrance of the Roger Smith Hotel. According to R-1 the SUBJECT and A sat on a bench in the park and conversed until 1:20 p.m. at which time they walked out of the park at the northwest corner of 18th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, and walked east on the north side of Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, to 17th Street, NW. SUBJECT and A then walked north on the west side of 17th Street, NW, to I Street, NW, and then east on the south side of I Street, NW, to 15th Street, NW. According to R-1 they then crossed 15th Street, NW, and walked south on the east side of 15th Street, NW, and entered the 823 Restaurant, 823 15th Street, NW, at 1:40 p.m.

R-1 advised that he was not aware of any unusual occurrences during the period 1:05 p.m. to 1:40.

At 2:50 p.m. according to R-1, the SUBJECT and A came out of the 823 Restaurant and conversed a few minutes while standing on the sidewalk in front of the restaurant. A then left the SUBJECT and walked north on the east side of 15th Street, NW, to I Street, NW, and east on the south side of I Street, NW, to 14th Street, NW. According to R-1 A then turned the corner and headed south on the west side of 14th Street, NW, in the direction of H Street, NW.

R-1 advised that he had no further knowledge of A's activities on 1 October 1954.

Confidential Informant R-2 advised that the SUBJECT at 2:50 p.m. after a brief conference with A in front of the 823 Restaurant, 823 15th Street, NW, left A and proceeded south on the east side of 15th Street, NW. R-2 stated that in the vicinity of H Street, NW, an individual proceeded in the same direction as the SUBJECT at a constant distance behind the SUBJECT which afforded a good position had this

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individual desired to observe the SUBJECT. This individual is described as follows: age, forty-seven; height, 5' 9"; weight, 150 pounds; hair, dull or dirty-light brown, bald on top; build, thin; complexion, tanned-ruddy; peculiarities, angular face, high prominent cheek bones; apparel, tan suit, blue shirt, dark blue tie with white prints, covert colored snap-brimmed hat.

This individual maintained his position behind the SUBJECT from the vicinity of 15th and H Streets, NW, to the vicinity of the northwest corner of Pennsylvania Avenue and 14th Street, NW. During this period he walked in a casual manner and appeared to be observing people or buildings both ahead of him and on the opposite side of 15th Street, NW.

According to R-2, at 3:10 p.m. upon reaching the northwest corner of Pennsylvania Avenue and 14th Street, NW, the SUBJECT crossed to the center of Pennsylvania Avenue and took a position on the platform to await a streetcar. In doing this, according to R-2, the SUBJECT faced north toward the Willard Hotel, and appeared to observe closely persons standing or walking along the sidewalk on the north side of Pennsylvania Avenue, NW.

R-2 advised that the aforementioned unidentified individual hesitated at the northwest corner of Pennsylvania Avenue and 14th Street, NW, as the SUBJECT took his position on the streetcar platform, and as the SUBJECT turned toward the north side of Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, this individual turned in the opposite direction from the streetcar platform, took a few steps, glanced back in the direction of the streetcar platform, and then proceeded north on the west side of 14th Street, NW. According to R-2 this individual walked up 14th Street, NW, beyond the southeast entrance of the Willard Hotel for a short distance and then reversed his direction and entered the 14th Street entrance of the Willard Hotel. According to R-2, this individual entered the hotel bar, seated himself and ordered a drink.

R-2 advised that at about this time the SUBJECT boarded a streetcar bound in an easterly direction.

At 3:45 p.m., according to R-2, the unidentified individual came out of the Willard Hotel Bar, walked out the 13th Street exit of the hotel and walked west on the north side of Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, to 15th Street, NW. He then walked south on 15th Street, NW, and crossed the street into the Ellipse at the rear of the White House and sat on a park bench.

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At 4:20 p.m., according to R-2, this individual walked south through the Ellipse to Constitution Avenue, east on the north side of Constitution Avenue to 15th Street; north on the east side of 15th Street, crossed Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, and entered the 15th Street entrance of the Washington Hotel.

R-2 stated that the unidentified individual sat in the lobby of the Washington Hotel until 4:45 p.m. at which time he came out of the 15th Street entrance of the hotel carrying luggage and entered an airport limousine at 4:50 p.m.

R-2 stated that he had no further knowledge of the unidentified individuals' activities on 1 October 1954.

28 October 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Military Personnel Division

ATTENTION : Major Dollar

SUBJECT : Fredis LAUNAGS

1. It is requested that you place Mr. Fredis Launags, GS-9, salary \$5060.00 on the list of personnel utilizing the 8770 AAU.

2. Mr. Launags entered on duty with this unit on 1 September 1954.

Launags can be reached through this office or Ext. 3582, until the telephone is set up in the office provided him. SK

Deputy Chief, Liaison Control Branch

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